

Assembly Bill No. 756

CHAPTER 322

An act relating to memoranda of understanding, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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AB 756, Committee on Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security. Memoranda of understanding: addenda.

Existing law requires the Department of Personnel Administration to provide any side letter, appendix, or other addendum to a properly ratified memorandum of understanding that requires the expenditure of \$250,000 or more related to salary and benefits and that is not already contained in the original memorandum of understanding or the Budget Act to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee. Existing law requires the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, within 30 days after receiving the side letter, appendix, or other addendum, to determine if the addendum presents substantial additions that are not reasonably within the parameters of the original memorandum of understanding and thereby requires legislative action to ratify the addendum.

This bill would approve the addenda to memoranda of understanding entered into by the state employer and State Bargaining Units 1, 3, 8, 18, 19, and 20 that require the expenditure of funds, as specified. The bill would further approve provisions of the addenda that require the expenditure of funds, and would appropriate \$26,516,000 from the General Fund and other unallocated nongovernmental cost funds for those purposes. The bill would provide that those provisions shall not take effect unless the funds are specifically appropriated by the Legislature or already exist within available appropriations, and would allow the reopening of negotiations if the Legislature does not approve or fully fund any addendum.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Appropriation: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares that the purpose of this act is to approve addenda to memoranda of understanding entered into by the state employer and the state bargaining units that require the expenditure of funds.

SEC. 2. The provisions of the addenda to memoranda of understanding entered into by the state employer and the state bargaining units that require the expenditure of funds are hereby approved for the purposes of Section 3517.63 of the Government Code.

SEC. 3. Addenda to memoranda of understanding entered into by the state employer and the state bargaining units shall be approved in accordance with the following schedule:

(a) Bargaining Unit 20: Service Employees International Union addendum dated May 10, 2007, effective April 1, 2007.

(b) Bargaining Unit 1: Service Employees International Union addendum dated May 17, 2007, effective upon approval of this act.

(c) Bargaining Unit 8: California Department of Forestry Firefighters addendum dated June 28, 2007, effective July 1, 2007, requiring an appropriation.

(d) Bargaining Unit 3: Service Employees International Union addendum dated July 19, 2007, effective August 6, 2007.

(e) Bargaining Unit 19: American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees addendum dated July 30, 2007, effective July 1, 2007, requiring an appropriation.

(f) Bargaining Unit 3: Service Employees International Union addendum dated July 31, 2007, effective August 1, 2007.

(g) Bargaining Unit 18: California Association of Psychiatric Technicians addendum dated July 31, 2007, effective April 1, 2007, requiring an appropriation.

SEC. 4. The sum of twenty-six million five hundred sixteen thousand dollars (\$26,516,000) is hereby appropriated for expenditure in the 2007–08 fiscal year in augmentation of, and for the purpose of state employee compensation as provided in, Items 9800-001-0001 and 9800-001-0988 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2007 in accordance with the following schedule:

(a) Twenty-one million two hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$21,270,000) from the General Fund in augmentation of Item 9800-001-0001.

(b) Five million two hundred forty-six thousand dollars (\$5,246,000) from other unallocated nongovernmental cost funds in augmentation of Item 9800-001-0988.

SEC. 5. The provisions of the addenda to memoranda of understanding approved by Sections 2 and 3 of this act and that require the expenditure of funds shall not take effect unless funds for these provisions are specifically appropriated by the Legislature or already exist within available appropriations. If the Legislature does not approve or fully fund any addendum included in this act, either party may reopen negotiations on all or part of the addendum.

SEC. 6. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order for the provisions of this act to be applicable as soon as possible in the 2007–08 fiscal year, and thereby facilitate the orderly administration of state government at the earliest possible time, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

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